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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Settlement

Hi,

I was just wanting to let you know that the proposed settlement by Microsoft will do nothing to actually alleviate the problems that they are causing in the computer industry. In fact, in all likelihood, the proposed settlement would increase the monopolistic power that Microsoft wields. I work for a government agency and wouldn't be impacted in the competitive sense one bit (Microsoft isn't too likely to put me out of business), but I am tired of Microsoft using their monopolistic power to barrel into other markets besides the OS market and eliminate the choices that I have as a consumer.

Thanks for your time, Aaron Picton Shasta County (530) 245-6235